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REPORT ON FALL SOWING CAMPAIGN IN RUMANIA

__Summary: Preliminary results of the fall sowing campaign, which began in mid-September 1952, were highly inadequate. However, as a result of agitation by party leaders and regiune committees, the expected quotas were approached in some regiunes.

Numbers in parentheses refer to appended sources.

During the last weeks of September 1952, the regiunes leading in the Rumanian fall sowing campaign were Cluj, Baia-Mare, and the Hungarian Autonomous Regiune, all located in the northwestern part of the country. Approximately eight of the regiunes have had only medicore results, while the remaining seven, Arad, Timisoara, Bucharest, Ploesti, Barlad, Galati, and Bacau, have shown extremely poor results despite an ample supply of tractors and favorable agricultural conditions. (1)

At the end of the first week in October, the Ministry of Agriculture reported that 29.6 percent of the country's entire sowing plan had been completed. The Baia-Mare, Cluj, and Hungarian autonomous regiunes were still leading. Moreover, considerable progress had been achieved in Craiova Regiune, where over 100,000 hectares of land were sowed during the first days of October alone.

Other important results were registered in Suceava, Pitesti, Oradea, and Hunedoara regiunes, where the percentage of sowed land increased by 20 to 25 percent, in comparison with the preceding month. Unfortunately, Arad, Timisoara, Bucharest, Constanta, Galati, Ploesti, and Barlad regiunes still showed great lags in the sowing program. (2)

Sowing campaign continued with increased activity in the last 2 weeks of October. The leading regiume was the Hungarian Autonomous Regiume, which had been the first to achieve 100 percent sowing. Almost the same successes were achieved by Pitesti, Baiz-Mare, Hunedoara and Cluj regiumes, which completed 90 percent of their sowing quota. However, the Constanta, Galati, Ploesti, Barlad, and Timisoara regiumes are still trailing badly, despite

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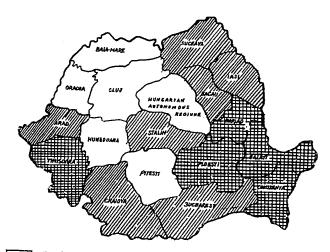
drastic measures taken by party activists. Regiune and rayon committees of these regions were strongly rebuked for the slow progress shown, and all available labor forces were mobilized, in an attempt to complete the quotas successfully. (3)

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Appended map follows. 7

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Leading regiunes with over 90 percent of fall sowing completed

Regiunes showing mediocre results in sowing

Regiunes trailing in sowing campaign

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